

## Commonwealth of Kentucky Justice & Public Safety Cabinet

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## Kentucky Justice Cabinet accepting applications for the Justice Assistance Grant program

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 2, 2016)** – The Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet is now accepting applications for the 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program.

JAG grants provide federal funds for state and local government projects that aim to strengthen the criminal justice system. Each state receives a minimum amount of funding with additional support based on population and crime statistics.

Due to a decline in federal funds, the Justice Cabinet is prioritizing anti-drug efforts this year, and applications will be limited to requests for funding in the Drug Task Force category.

Respondents should note that the time period for submitting applications is both opening and closing later than in prior years. Applications are now available, and the submission deadline is March 31, 2016.

Applications and related information may be obtained by following the links on the Grants Management Branch webpage, <a href="http://justice.ky.gov/departments/gmb">http://justice.ky.gov/departments/gmb</a>. Online training videos and a user manual also are available by following links on the page.

Applications must be submitted via the online Kentucky Justice Grants Management System (GMS). Applicants are strongly encouraged to establish a user account and familiarize themselves with the system well in advance of the due date. Please note: Validation of new user accounts will take 48 to 72 hours. If a user account previously has been established, no further action is required to access the system.

Assistance with the application process may be obtained by contacting Grants Management Branch staff at (502) 564-8257 or through email at askgmb@ky.gov.

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